



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY, ST JOHN'S WOOD

+ 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 3 July 2022

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Peter's Pence

The Gospel for this Sunday reveals a profound relationship between the ministry of those who are set apart for service by the Lord and those who support the Lord's missionary activity through their generosity. Jesus declares that the labourer deserves his wages. But Jesus is also very clear that the labourer, the one set apart for this service, is not to move from house to house, neither are they to be fussy about the food placed before them. Further, the one sent by the Lord is also not to carry a purse, haversack, or sandals. All these conditions given by the Lord Jesus speak of the necessity of a spirit of detachment to be cultivated in the labourer.

An example of glorious detachment can be seen in Saints Peter and Paul, whose feast day, a Holyday of Obligation, we celebrated last Wednesday. Saint Peter in Acts (3:1-8) does not offer the lame man alms, even though that is what he asks for, but the Prince of the Apostles gives him Jesus Christ, which is more precious than any silver or gold (cf. 1 Pt 1:7), and the lame man rises and praises God fervently. Saint Paul in the reading from Galatians proclaims, "the only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world" (Gal 6:14); these words of magnificence chant the celestial heights of heavenly detachment. And the work of these heaven preaching labourers was made possible by the generosity of those who gave the labourer his wages, those who enabled the labourers to devote themselves first and last to the mission of Jesus Christ.

On a Sunday close to the Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul, the Church makes a second collection called Peter's Pence. This collection, which started in the eleventh century in England, reflects the close bond that Catholics have with the successor to Saint Peter and with his care for the poor and needy. On the Vatican website for Peter's Pence, there is a fine and uplifting quotation from Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI: "It is very important that the Church's charitable activity maintains all of its splendour and does not become just another form of social assistance", "the programme of Jesus is a 'heart which sees'". As we make an offering to Peter's Pence this Sunday, we pray that the Pope's charitable work will bring many souls to Christ.

Fr Ben

Mass Times

Sunday

6:00pm (Saturday)
9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00 noon,
6:00pm

Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday:
10:00am
Thursday: 7:00pm
Friday & Saturday: 10:00am

Rosary

After weekday Mass

Exposition & Confessions

Saturday 10:30am—11:00am

Confessions

Saturday 5:15pm—5:45pm

Music for Sunday

Lassus - *Missa Locutus sum*
Byrd - *Quis est homo*
225 Immortal invisible
133 All ye who seek a comfort
sure
266 The Lord's my shepherd

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Isaiah 66:10-14
Psalm 65:1-7, 16, 20 R. v 1
Galatians 6:14-18
Luke 10:1-9

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A second Collection for 'Peter's Pence' takes place this weekend, 2/3 July. This is one of the ways in which we support the Holy Father in his work for the many different needs of the Universal Church.

Tea and Coffee Please join us after 9:00am Mass for tea and coffee in the parish hall.

St Edward's Catholic School Open Morning On Tuesday 5 July 9:30am—11:00am. There are leaflets in the church porch and if you require further information please contact the school office on 020 7723 5911 or at office@stedwardsprimary.org.

The SVP Foodbank Collection takes place next weekend. Please place your donations on the table in the church porch after all Masses.

Vacancies at St Richard Reynolds Catholic College Learning Support Assistant, Careers Coordinator and Visiting Guitar Teacher. For more information and on how to apply, please visit <https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/ourcollege/vacancies>.

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. You can donate by using one of the envelopes at the back of the Church or online at www.stellamaris.org.uk or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

Rest in Peace: Bridget Linane. Requiem Mass at Our Lady's on Tuesday 19 July 2022 at 11:30am followed by committal at St Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

Junior Choir Recruitment We are currently recruiting for new members to sing in the Junior Choir at the 12noon mass. Children aged 5-14 are most welcome, particularly those who have just made their First Holy Communion. Please email the Director of the Junior Choir, Martina martinasmyth@rcdow.org.uk.

Green Doctors. For free, impartial energy advice and support to households in several London boroughs—<https://london.greendoctors.org.uk/>.

Modern Media. Do follow our parish website www.olsjw.org.uk and Our Lady's RC Church, St John's Wood *Facebook* page which are updated regularly and where you can read our bishops' letter on the reintroduction of the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays. For the sake of others, please continue to wear a facemask in church and to sanitize your hands.

Pilgrimage of Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life to Walsingham National Catholic Shrine On Saturday 6 August 2022 at 12:00noon with Bishop Philip Egan. For more details contact 01858 571242, www.walsingham.org.uk.

World Youth Day 2023—Looking to Lisbon World Youth Day 2023 will take place in Lisbon in the beginning of August 2023. Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry with support from Cardinal's Appeal is offering a limited number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16 year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage. These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day. More details can be found at <https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/> or contact youth@rcdow.org.uk. Please apply by 31 July 2022.

Offerings Standing orders are the easiest way to give regularly and can be set up via www.olsjw.org.uk. To *GiftAid* using the *CollecTins* register your usual card on the machine or scan the QR code and register your card at home.

Day	Location	Time	Group
Sunday	Upper Hall	After 9:00am Mass	Tea and Coffee
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	Upper Hall	9:30am-11:30am	Parents & Toddlers
Tuesday	Upper Hall	1:00pm-4:30pm	Over 50's